NOTICE OF PROTEST HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Protest Hearing will be held by the Executive Officer of the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) of San Bernardino County. The hearing will be held in the LAFCO office located at 175 West Fifth Street, Second Floor, San Bernardino, California 92415-0490, on **Wednesday, October 22, 2003, at 10:00 a.m.**, to hear and receive any oral or written protests, objections, or evidence which are made, presented, or filed regarding the following proposal:

LAFCO 2942 - Dissolution of County Service Area 77 (Mariana Ranchos)

The area proposed for dissolution encompasses approximately 480+/- acres within the southern Apple Valley area, representing the whole of County Service Area 77 (Mariana Ranchos). The area is generally bordered by Ocotillo Way on the north, Navajo Road on the east, a combination of Santa Rosa Road and Roundup Way on the south, and a combination of Kiowa and Juniper Roads on the west.

The dissolution area is more specifically described in the maps which can be accessed below and the legal description which is available for review in the LAFCO office located at the above address.

Click here to view dissolution area map. Click here to view vicinity map.

Proceedings for this dissolution were initiated by the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors, as the governing body of County Service Area 77, and submitted to LAFCO. This proposal has been assigned the short-form designation of LAFCO 2942.

The proposed terms and conditions for this dissolution are set forth in LAFCO Resolution No. 2780, which is available for review in the LAFCO office.

The reasons for this proposal are as follows: The District's share of ad valorem property tax is insufficient to perform its function for road maintenance and the landowners within this District do not support a special tax or assessment to perform the necessary level of service. The District does not wish to continue being liable for these roads under its jurisdiction with no financial means to repair or maintain them adequately.

Any owner of land within the territory proposed to be dissolved may file an official protest. Such protest must be made in writing and submitted to the LAFCO office prior to the conclusion of the hearing. The written protest must include your name, address, address of the land owned within the affected area if different from your residence, Assessor Parcel Number and LAFCO number. The written protest must be dated. Any protest without a date, bearing a date prior to the date of publication of this notice, or submitted after the conclusion of the hearing, shall be disregarded for purposes of ascertaining the value of any written protests. Protest cannot be accepted by fax.

Any registered voter residing within the territory proposed to be dissolved may file an official protest. Such protest must be made in writing and submitted to the LAFCO office prior to the conclusion of the hearing. The written protest must include your name and address as they appear on the affidavit of registration and the LAFCO number. The written protest must be dated. Any protest without a date, bearing a date prior to the date of publication of this notice, or submitted after the conclusion of the hearing, shall be disregarded for purposes of ascertaining the value of any written protests. Protest cannot be accepted by fax.

If you have any questions regarding this Notice, please contact the LAFCO office at (909) 387-5866.

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION KATHLEEN ROLLINGS-MCDONALD, Executive Officer

BY: DEBBY CHAMBERLIN, Clerk to the Commission

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